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You will recall Soviet charges regarding alleged
overflights by US military planes (Sov note July 10, US
reply July 19). Sov reply delivered to Dept by Sov Emb
today. It states overflights were not chance deviations
but intentional incursions for aerial reconnaissance verified
by modern technical means as to exact time and course over
Soviet territory; US attempt to dodge responsibility regretful
since it does not facilitate creation of confidence in relations
between "our states"; Sov Govt reiterates that responsibility
for consequences lies on US.]

Assume Sovs will give publicity.

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